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ISRAELI AMBASSADOR DINITZ HAS JUST INFORMED US THAT THE ISRAELIS HAVE INFORMATION TO THE EFFECT THAT THERE ARE PLANS TO MOVE 700 SYRIAN TROOPS INTO TYRE TOMORROW (TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7). YOU SHOULD GET HOLD OF SARKIS IMMEDIATELY AND TELL HIM ABOUT THIS REPORT AND TELL HIM THAT IT REMAINS OUR ASSESSMENT THAT A UNILATERAL MOVEMENT OF ARAB SECURITY FORCE ELEMENTS INTO TYRE WILL RISK DESTABILIZING CONSEQUENCES. YOU SHOULD ALSO SAY THAT WE HAVE CONVEYED TO THE ISRAELIS THE VIEWS THAT SARKIS EXPRESSED TO YOU DECEMBER 5, AND HAVE AGAIN URGED RESTRAINT ON THEIR PART. KISSINGER

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